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## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title):

NESTING CONTAINERS AND LIDS

By (Inventors):

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$\boxtimes$	Formal drawings (Figs. 1-6; 6 sheets) are attached.
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	A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith
	This patent application is assigned to
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$\boxtimes$	Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.

A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith. Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_, filed

is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).

Priority of foreign application(s) No. \_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_ is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application(s) is filed herewith.

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INDEP CLAIMS	2 - 3	= 0		
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED				

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## SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$ 370
x 9=	\$
x 42 =	\$
+ 140 =	\$
TOTAL	\$ 370

OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY

<u>OR</u> OR <u>OR</u> <u>OR</u> <u>OR</u>

OR

RATE	FEE			
	\$ 740			
x 18	\$			
x 84	\$			
+ 280	\$			
TOTAL	\$			
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